When Jane got back from her trip to Baltimore she vowed and declared Sunny Knoll was plenty good enough for her. After a week's absence she was so anxious to get home she refused to make the trip by boat, so came over by train. It was a blazing hot day, Margery was cross and tired and Jane was all tuckered out.

There isn't anything beautiful about our house, as houses go. It is not of an architectural style that reminds you of Chevy Chase or Cleveland Park or others of the detached-house suburbs of Washington. There is an old picket fence in front of it, with about half the pickets missing. The lawn wouldn't



think, eat with more manifest pleasure than any other animals.

Inviting in the Shade.

You might not care about my garden, either, for it's hot out there in the sun. No doubt the hammock or the old rock-ing chair with the hickory split bottom would seem more inviting to one weary from long walking. The singing of lofrom long walking. The singing of lo-custs and the droning of bees are soothing on a summer's afternoon, and if there is a vagrant breeze blowing anywhere we nearly always get a share of it. If they lulled you into a nap no apology would have been expected. A good many people walk up and down our road, and not a few of them stop in to rest. But you were motoring by and had no chance to do these things. So of course, you would of these things.

few of them stop in to rest. But you were motoring by and had no chance to do these things. So, of course, you would lack understanding of the emotion that made Jane, returning, exclaim: "This is home; our flat in town never was one"

I think in that one sentence Jane said about the whole of it. In coming to the country we had no thought beyond reducing the cost of living, of doing something to enable my salary to stretch to cover our necessities, with a margin left to provide for the inevitable rainy day. The country for its own sake made no especial appeal.

But the question of profit or loss somehow has become secondary. Our successes and failures are merely incidental. The trials and tribulations, it is true, but they are put aside at night and forgotten in the morning. Now that we habitually witness the glory of the sunrise we have come more into appreciation of the great miracle of nature that makes of each day a new one, full of promise and of possibilities. There is dawning upon us a glimmering of what life means.

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Peace and a Home.

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It is such peace as this which has come to us, and which makes our ledger and our cash book seem less important than we had thought. We may not find vital fact of our adventure.

well. Little Margery's healh is no longer a cause of worry. We came out here in March and she blossomed with the flowers and budded with the trees. Out in the morning before the dew is dry, she goes all day long and sleeps the long night through; and the roses she picks are no redder than the roses she picks are no redder than the roses in her cheeks cheeks the paleness of which had made Jane anxious-eyed and fearful hearted. She is as happy as the birds she loves to watch and tries in vain to catch, and busy as the bees she has learned to regard with respect and from a distance. From a child more than average selfishness, her affections have expanded until they embrace all that walks or flies or creeps. She pets everything that will submit to petting and the animals are as devoted to her as she to them.

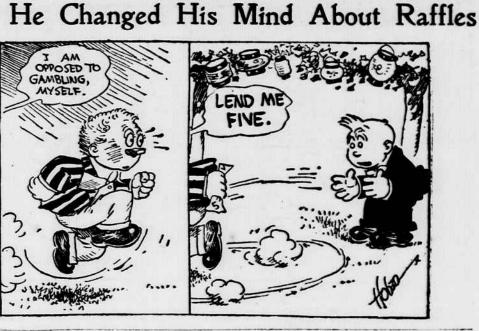
Old Bill, the horse; Lady, the cow, and cause of worry. We came out here figured it all out in family council, and will help pay carrying charges. We have if gured it all out in family council, and the program has unanimous approval this is even more a first "home" to the program has unanimous approval this is even more a first "home" to the program has unanimous approval this is even more a first "home" to the program has unanimous approval this is even more a first "home" to the program has unanimous approval this grow more valuable each year. At the end of the first year I expect we will have less cash in hand than we couraging. Salary still just about reaches from one payday to the next, they have drawn rather heavily on the few hundred dollars in cash we had in the bank. But the money hasn't gone merely for things to eat and wear, with nothing the program has unanimous approval the program has unanimous approval the program has unanimous approval to the program has unanimous approval the program has well. Little Margery's healh is no longer

JERRY ON THE JOB









From a Man's Viewpoint.

Most people find it relatively easy to talk of self, and I know I could write volumes of what the country has come volumes of what the country has come to mean; too mean; too find the country has come to mean; too find the country has come and country has volumes of what the country has come to mean to me. But I shall confine the ernment service. In the past there always stalked the grim specter of want should mischance separate me from the public pay roll. All my working years have been spent in the service of Uncle Sam, and in serving him I have acquired no talent that would mean a livelihood were I forced to seek employment in private enterprise. Knowledge of my incapacity made me a coward at heart and ate up my selfrespect. I have endured from my superiors things that made me lust for murder, and knowledge that I dared not resent them drove the iron into my soul.

Country Means Emancipation.

Big Job, But Possible.

I know it looks like a big contract, fortune in the country, but we have but it can be done. I'll not be able to found a home! That is the one big pay all cash, but I can make an acceptable first payment. Then rent will stop and But we have found other things as what now goes monthly to the landlord well. Little Margery's healh is no longer will help pay carrying charges. We have



lot of mistakes, and some of them were costly. Of course, I still have an almost appalling lot to learn and I am bound to make other mistakes, but I ought to offset them through profiting by the mistakes already made. I certainly will be much better equipped next spring than I was last, and if I-break even this year there ought to be a profit next.

A Foundation for Knowledge.

I remember that when I was a boy I read Gibbon's Rome, waded through that ponderous, heavy volume, with hardly a

ciple is the correct one, no matter how small the acreage. I have been strongly Country Means Emancipation.

To me, therefore, the country means emancipation. I am only beginning to learn the lore of the soil, but I have learned enough to know that given land I can wring a living from it. My family need not want. With the \$5,000 which soil.

As I have said before, no one can make me believe poultry farming is any royal road to wealth. On the other hand, suc-cussful poultry farmers certainly do make money. We suffered this year from both cussful poultry farmers certainly do make money. We suffered this year from both hard luck and inexperience and the livable baby chicks we hatched cost us an outrageous sum. But the three and four months old pullets and cockere look fine now and we have a flock that gives promise of being, a good one to build from.

Jane has never swerved from her determination to make a business of keeping chickens, and since the way the cow project panned out I am less than ever inclined to argue the matter with her.

inclined to argue the matter with her.
Men are not often willing to credit women with judgment. We call it their intuition. But what matters the name it goes by so long as it gives results.

Chickens to Be Watched.

Jane has today 135 pullets, part white leghorns and part white rocks, besides do it now without any taint of the craven But I am going to devote every available hour and every dollar we can lay aside to the building up of a business of my own right out here in the country-a business of corn and cabbages and "spuds," of chickens and eggs and milk and butter.

My contract for Sunny Knoll provides that I may renew my lease for a period of two years from next March. At any time before expiration of the two year period I may exercise my option of purchase at an agreed-upon price. That is what I am going to do. And I am going to do it out of the profits from the place and the savings from my salary.

Big Joh But Possible. fourteen of the twenty hens we bought

we will keep a record of the performances of each individual.

Not only do we want to know which breed of hens and which individuals lay the most eggs, but we want to know which ones lay the eggs when eggs are bringing the highest prices in the Washington markets. We will find private customers for the few eggs we shall have to sell, but we are going to do our figuring on the general market, that we may have a line on the possibilities of profitable sale for the output of from 500 to 1,000 hens. If our bookkeeping shows that hens are more promising of profit than truck gardening, it's hens for us. We'll switch our program and plan our planting with a view to growing the largest possible amount of chicken feed.

E. S. M.

One on Her.

Forester-How did you come to marry your wife?

Beginning Sunday School.

"And what do you know about Moses?" "Please, teacher, it's my first Sunday here and I don't know anybody."

HEARD AND SEEN HERE AND THERE.

By Earl Godwin.

By Constituent of mine was stith the counter with a performance with a girl man and proper seats to write the sale of the feed of the content of the date. As the feed of the sale of the feed of the content of the date. As the proper seats to write the sale of the feed of the content of the date. As the proper seats to write the content of the date. As the proper seats to write the content of the feed of the sale of the content of the content of the date. As the proper seats to

before he contracted several hundred pounds beneath his wesscut. One of the two games of base ball he has seen took place at the Polo Grounds last year—one of the world's series, prob-



pride which vibrates throughout their frames wherever they go. Evidently Representative Fess of Ohio, who is a first-termer, thinks he knows just what

I'LL HANG TH'

DICTOGRAPH!

HOW DA DO

MISTER BOBIN

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WIDOW'S PICTURE BACK OVER TH



SITTING IN THE GALLERY WITH HIS YOUNG SON.

the members assemble, heard the Speak-er rap for order and heard the chaplain ray for order and heard the chapian pray. He asked his father:

"'Why does Congress have to be prayed for?"

"The father replied: 'My son, Congress does not have to be prayed for. The chapian takes a look at Congress and then prays for the country.'"

There is something ever fresh and green about the novitiate in the automobile driving business. They all have so many cute little experiences that one wonders sometimes whether there is not a special providence to look after them. If they were left to bare bad fate, I am sure they would all be crushed under the wheels of hay wagons, fire engines, street cars or brewery charlots, because they

HE ATTENDED THE GAME WITH
GOV. TENER.

ably. He attended the game with Gov. Tener, who is president of the National League, and was at one time a star pitcher for the Chicago White Sox. The positive and negative of official base ball fandom were incorporated right there in fandom were incorporated right there in that combination of governor and republishing lican boss of the state of Pennsylvania, lican

FINE.

YAS DOT MONKEY FACED RAT, PAL, BY DER HOUSE TDAY, VIDOW?

WOON

DINING

The students do all the work necessing to the train was the very spirit of ardent love. It read:

"Dear Myrtle you are so sweet and presty I cant get my breth."

Never has anything impressed me as that note did. I can imagine Myrtle as the note did. I can imagine Myrtle as the note did. Then there was another, from a little ling secretly elared.

The there was another, from a little most and flouting her pigtall in the air, but being secretly elared.

The there was another, from a little ling the myrtle is the stuck up pill."

And In the heap was the letter from a flouting to do all the work necessary.

The students do all the work necessity of arch synthetic probability of the shooting of arch squad is supervised by its corporal. Each squad has its turn at working in the pits behind the targets. Each company has four targets for its use, and two men shoot on each at the great the prodigal son had that sort of an experience when he was on his way home to the fatted calf.

Monday when the connecting train is the working of the stuck up pill."

And in the heap was the letter from a spring the sturn of the surface of the train was more than the minutes late in getting to his home town where his fond and generous partent when his house to the fattent was on his great the provided by the fattent his party he was a lesson to the ready-made experience. They were not long ago, and it may have a lesson to such a such and all. But he was not armed, and all the was it is a being little girl, who is the kind people don't go crasy about, all the work of the camps in future years are necessity.

The students and the shooting of each squad is supervised by its corporation

He stepped off the train with a weak and faltering step when it stopped at his home town and walked along the platform toward the dining car. In his half-starved condition he was ready to throw

GOSH -

THERE HE IS!

I'LL SEE

HOW MUCH TH' WIDOW CARES FOR BOBIN I



and simply had to read them. The hand-writing was difficult, and I placed the ages of the writers somewhere in the tenages of the writers somewhere in the tento-thirteen-year class.

One of them was the very spirit of ardent love. It read:

The students do all the work necessary to run the range. Sergeants are detailed as scorers, and the shooting of detailed as scorers as scorers, and the shooting of detailed as scorers as scor



TOLD THE GRAY LITTLE GIRL
THAT SHE WAS HEIR TO MILLIONS.

Also there was a young man, who worked in a store, although his qualities were golden. He is just the sort of a lovable boy who simply cannot turn himself to overcoming the very hard obstacles which must be removed before a stacles w

successful. He is the kind of say. The ought to marry a rich girl. And his aunt, who is a grouch, would add:

"But he will not. He probably will marry some scatter-brained dolibaby who hasn't a cent, and the two of them will starve to death on \$15 a week."

So the handsome youth with a golden heart was invited to a house party in the mountains where the gray little girl has so was a guest. The boy was as popular as a young hero, although there were dozens of young men around, all "eligible" as they say in the marriage market. All the best young women fought for him, which did not turn his head a bit. However, the youth noticed that the gray little girl was being snubbed and left out of things and that she didn't have partners at the dances, so he threw everything aside and went to her rescue.

The first day he went walking with her.

The second day he went rowing with her.

The third day be became engaged to her.

The fourth day his aunt (the grouch) said, "I told you so."

But they were married, and every one wondered how they were to live.

Until—

A gray haired man appeared upon the scene and told the gray little girl that she was heir to untold millions. Just how many I can't say, but it was a terrific lot of money.

Whereupon the grouchy aunt said:
"I aiways thought that boy would amount to something."

Naturally.

From Judge.

The battalion will be mustered out about August 6, just after the hike.

Beards That Come and Go.

From the New York Tribune.

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The boy was a popular to the why our nation has looked askance at claborate beards it would be an interesting task to figure out. Perhaps wan our nation took its birth from England clean shaving was the reign of Queen shaving was the reig

"At any rate, I can truthfully say my business is never at a standstill." "What is your business?" "Moving pictures."

experiences of odd sorts. At one time in his youth he was somewhere in the middle west, hundreds of miles from home, and, like all other youths, he firted with the god of chance at a roulette game and found himself without one cent. And he was miles from home, as I said before. There were two things which worried. The conductor was one of his heat. The conductor was one of his heat.

Student-Military Body Spends Long Hours on Range, and Some Are Making Records.

TION CAMP, Burlington, Vt., August 1.

The students at the students' military instruction camp at Burlington, Vt., began their five days of rifle shooting on the range at Fort Ethan Allen last Monday. This work involves long hours, and the cadets are away from their comfortable tents all day. Rising time in the morning is forty minutes earlier than usual, at 5 o'clock instead of 5:40 o'clock. After a hot breakfast the four companies of the battalion are formed under arms, and by 6:30 o'clock are well under way to the range, which is about three and one-half miles southeast of the camp at Burlington. The students carry-field equipment to the range. They make light their bur-dens, however, by singing different

dens, however, by singing different popular marching songs.

The range is reached in about an hour, and firing begins at once. Shooting at the 200, 300, 500 and 600, yard ranges, at both slow and rapid fire, is included in the course, and the firing covers both a practice and record course. There are many fine shots among the students. Many are qualifying as expert riflemen and as sharping as expert riflemen and as sharp shooters, and a larger number as marksmen.

Students Run the Range.

cess, after all:
She is a slender little girl, who is the kind people don't go crazy about, although her qualities are golden. She is dear and sweet, and just as pretty as story-book princesses, but probably she doesn't take to modern ways, and therefore suffered a cycle of unpopularity. eral staff corps, who is in charge of the organization of the camps, today said that he was looking for a more suitable maneuvering country. He arrived July 26 to spend several days with the students. He was known and liked by many of the students here before this summer, and he received a hearty wel-

summer, and he received a hearty wercome.

A roster of the camp with the addresses and schools of the students has
been prepared by I. V. Cobleigh of the
Y. M. C. A. tent.

M. H. Davis of the Y. M. C. A. tent
will take the week's hike with the battalion and will carry all the Y. M. C. A.
tent conveniences possible. Stationery
and daily papers will be among his
itinerary. A small branch of the post
exchange will also go with the students.

Man and Baste. From London Opinion.

His Lordship (stranded in remote vil-"Moving pictures."

It matters little what it is that you want-whether a situation or a servant —a want ad in The Star will reach the person who will fill your need.

It matters little what it is that you want-whether a situation or a servant She provides good accommodation for man an' baste, sorr. Can I give ye man a hand wid the bags, sorr?"